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1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE GENERAL FRAMEWORK FOR EMBASSY HELSINKI REPORTING FOR THE REMAINDER OF 1978. THESE TOPICS HAVE BEEN SELECTED WITH REFERENCE TO MISSION GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, FEEDBACK FROM WASHINGTON ENDUSERS, FINLAND'S POLITICO/ECONOMIC OUTLOOK THROUGH 1978, AND REQUIRED CERP AND OTHER MANDATORY REPORTING.

- A. CURRENT TRENDS IN THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY.
- B. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION CAMPAIGN INCLUDING SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC FACTORS INFLUENCING THE ISSUES. (NOTE: WE ARE STILL ANTICIPATING A FALL CAMPAIGN AND NOVEMBER ELECTION, ALTHOUGH ELECTIONS CONCEIVABLY COULD BE PUT OFF UNTIL MARCH 1979).
- C. FINNISH 1979 BUDGET: EFFECTS ON PRICES, EMPLOYMENT, AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY PROSPECTS.
- D. ROLE OF THE FINNISH DEFENSE FORCES IN FINLAND'S SECURITY POLICY.
- E. FACTORS INFLUENCING FINLAND'S POSITIONS ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES.
- F. FINLAND'S ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH THIRD WORLD:

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BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL TRADE AND AID POLICIES;
FINNISH FIRMS IN OPEC COUNTRIES.

- G. THE PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION ISSUE.
- H. NORTHERN EUROPEAN SECURITY AND FINLAND'S NORDIC RELATIONS.
- I. FINNISH/SOVIET RELATIONS: INCLUDING FINLAND'S UNIQUE ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH USSR: MODALITIES, TRADE

LEVELS, OVERALL PROSPECTS, AND NET ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL
BENEFITS AND LIABILITIES.

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